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Serious internal differences are shaping up within directing circles of the Partito Comunista Italiano (PCI; Italian Communist Party) over the propaganda line to be followed in the approaching political elections. Luigi Longo and Pietro Secchia, Party Vice Secretaries, insist upon rigid observation of Cominform directives which call for a propaganda program based on the use of Peace slogans. On the other hand, Party leaders who follow Palmiro Togliatti propose an electoral campaign program exploiting social-economic problems.

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